

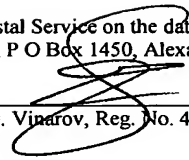
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to a non-final Office Action dated December 15, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.